

**199—15.8(476) Interconnection costs.** For purposes of this rule, “utility” means a rate-regulated electric utility.

**15.8(1)** Qualifying facilities and AEP facilities shall be obligated to pay any interconnection costs, as defined in this chapter. These costs shall be assessed on a nondiscriminatory basis with respect to other customers with similar load characteristics.

**15.8(2)** Utilities shall be reimbursed by qualifying facilities and AEP facilities for interconnection costs at the time the costs are incurred. Upon petition by any party involved and for good cause shown, the board may allow for reimbursement of costs over a reasonable period of time and upon such conditions as the board may determine; provided, however, that no other customers of the utility shall bear any of the costs of interconnection.